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[redacted] a large uranium mining project in the Apuseni Mountains [redacted] was directed by Soviet engineers and technicians who were assisted by Rumanian workers. The mining sites were closely guarded by Soviet soldiers armed with "balalaikas" (the Rumanian term for the Soviet PPsh M 41). The workers lived in nearby villages and settlements which were cordoned off by Soviet troops and kept isolated from the neighboring areas. This project was engaged only in the mining and extraction of uranium ore and as there were no local facilities for processing or refining, the ore was placed in sealed railroad cars and sent under armed Soviet guard to the USSR.

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